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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced that Daniel Amos Frenzel, age 22, of Clifton, Virginia, was sentenced today by United States District Judge James C. Cacheris to 32 years in prison. Frenzel had previously entered a guilty plea to a two-count criminal information charging him with use of a firearm during and in relation to robbing \$272 from a 7-11 (Count One) and with use of a firearm during and in relation to robbing \$357 from the Battlefield Shell Gas Station (Count Two). The robberies occurred in Manassas in March and May 2003, respectively.

The case represents the culmination of a cooperative effort between the United States Attorney's Office, the Prince William County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office and Police Department, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. It is another case prosecuted as part of the Department of Justice program "Project Safe Neighborhoods" – a nationwide gun violence reduction initiative. United States Attorney Paul J. McNulty is coordinating the cooperative effort here in the Eastern District of Virginia with federal, state, and local law enforcement officials and calling our effort "Project Safe Neighborhoods – Project Exile." The objective is to reduce violent crime by locating and seizing unlawfully possessed guns and then swiftly prosecuting the offenders using both federal and state gun laws.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Patrick F. Stokes.